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(1). WASHINGTON POST, MICHAEL J. BERLIN, "U.N. TO CONTINUE
PROBE OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS USE", U.N., DEC. 9
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OVERRODE SOVIET BLOCK OBJECTIONS TODAY
AND VOTED OVERWHELMINGLY TO CONTINUE AN INVESTIGATION BY
A FOUR-MAN PANEL OF EXPERTS INTO CHARGES THAT SOVIET-MADE
CHEMICAL WEAPONS WERE USED IN AFGHANISTAN AND IN CHINA.
THE VOTE WAS 86-20, WITH 34 ABSTENTIONS, AND ONLY THE SOVIET
UNION AND ITS CLOSEST ALLIES OPPOSED IT.
U.S. REPRESENTATIVE KENNETH ADelman CHARGED THAT THE
TREATIES BANNING CHEMICAL WARFARE, SIGNED BY BOTH THE

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SOVIET UNION AND VIETNAM, "ARE BEING FLAGRANTLY VIOLATED",
AND THIS USE OF TOXINS "HAS GROWING IMPLICATIONS FOR BOTH
PRESENT AND FUTURE ARMS CONTROL ARRANGEMENTS."
THE U.N. PANEL'S FIRST REPORT WAS DISAPPOINTING TO U.S.
THE EXPERTS, FROM EGYPT, PERU, KENYA AND THE PHILIPPINES,
"WERE CAUTIONS IN THE EXTREME AND DID NOT ADDRESS MUCH OF
THE EVIDENCE WE SUBMITTED," ONE AMERICAN DIPLOMAT SAID.
DESPITE THE CONTENTION BY HIGH OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON
THAT THE AMERICAN DATA CONSTITUTED A "SMOKING GUN," THE
U.N. PANEL REPORTED ITSELF "UNABLE TO REACH A FINAL
RESOLUTION AS TO WHETHER OR NOT CHEMICAL WARFARE AGENTS HAD
BEEN USED."

DURING THE U.N. DEBATE, FRANCE RAISED A QUESTION ABOUT THE
U.N. STAFF'S IMPARTIALITY IN SERVICING THE PANEL, CHARGING
THAT ITS "WORK WAS DELAYED BY THE UNDEFINED AMOUNT OF TIME
ALLOTTED FOR ONE OF THE CORRESPONDENCE TO GO THROUGH THE
SECRETARIAT."

THE U.N. EMPLOYEES INVOLVED ARE AN IRANIAN AND A POLE, WHO
REPORT TO THE CHIEF OF THE U.N. DISARMAMENT DIVISION, JAN
MARTENSON OF SWEDEN, VIEWED BY AMERICAN OFFICIALS AS

"A CAUTIOUS MAN WHO TRIED TO STEER A MID-COURSE AND OFFER
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NO ONE."

(2) WASHINGTON POST, STUART AGERHAGE, "AN ANXIOUS
INDIA CULTIVATES ITS NEIGHBORS" - NEW DELHI
INDIA HAS EMBARKED ON A MAJOR DIPLOMATIC CAMPAIGN TO
IMPROVE TIES WITH ITS SOUTH ASIAN NEIGHBORS AS RELATIONS

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WORSEN WITH PAKISTAN, THE LARGEST AND MOST POWERFUL OF THEM
AT THE SAME TIME, IT IS ABOUT TO BEGIN TALKS WITH CHINA, -
ANOTHER NEIGHBOR, IN AN EFFORT TO SOLVE A BORDER DISPUTE
THAT ERUPTED INTO WAR ALMOST 20 YEARS AGO.

THIS ROUND OF NEIGHBORLY CALLS AS PROMPTED BY THE
REALIZATION AMONG SOME IN PRIME MINISTER INDIRA GANDHI'S
GOVERNMENT THAT INCREASINGLY STRAINED RELATIONS WITH PAK-
ISTAN REQUIRE NEW DELHI TO MEND ITS FENCES WITH THE OTHER
NATIONS OF SOUTH ASIA IF IT IS TO REMAIN THE DOMINANT
REGIONAL POWER.

IN AN IMPORTANT GESTURE TOWARD THE NEWLY ELECTED LEADERSHIP
IN NEIGHBORING BANGLADESH, ERIC GONSALVES, ONE OF THE
TOP CIVIL SERVANTS IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS RE-
PORTED SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS IN TALKS LAST WEEK ON LEASING
DACC A STRIP OF INDIAN TERRITORY LEADING TO TWO BANGLA-
DESH ENCLAVES.

GANDHI DURING HER ELECTION CAMPAIGN, COMPLAINED HOW LOW
INDIA'S POSITION IN THE REGION HAD DROPPED -WHILE SHE WAS OUT
OF OFFICE.

AS A RESULT OF THE NEW AMERICAN RELATIONSHIP WITH
PAKISTAN, WHICH THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION SEES AS THE
EASTERN ANCHOR OF A STRATEGIC GROUPING TO PROTECT THE
PERSIAN GULF, IT APPEARS THAT NEW DELHI IS TRYING TO REACH
AN ACCOMMODATION WITH ITS NEIGHBORS-TO PRESERVE ITS
POSITION.

INDIAN OFFICIALS PRIVATELY AGREE THEY ARE NOT AS WORRIED
ABOUT THE INFUSION OF A NEW AMERICAN ARMS TO PAKISTAN,-
WHICH HAS DRAWN STRONG INDIAN OPPOSITION, AS THEY ARE OF
THE POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE NEW LINKS, WHICH COULD
ALLOW ISLAMABAD TO POSE A THREAT TO INDIA'S PRIMACY ON-
THE SUBCONTINENT.

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IT IS UNCLEAR WHETHER THIS VIEW LED TO THE LONGSTALLED INDO-
CHINESE TALKS STARTING THURSDAY IN PEKING, THOUGH CHINA
AND PAKISTAN ARE FIRM FRIENDS AND SOME INDIANS HAVE
EXPRESSED THE FEAR THAT THIS COUNTRY WILL BE SQUEEZED BY
WHAT IS SOMETIMES REFERRED TO AS THE "WASHINGTON-ISLAMABAD-
PEKING AXIS."

PEKING APPARENTLY WOULD LIKE TO IMPROVE RELATIONS WITH
INDIA, IN PART TO COUNTER THE SOVIET INFLUENCE IN THIS
COUNTRY, WHICH GETS THE BULK OF ITS MILITARY SUPPLIES AT

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HIGHLY ADVANTAGEOUS TERMS FROM MOSCOW. WESTERN SOURCES HERE SAID.

(3). WASHINGTON POST, NO BY LINE, "U.S., INDIA SIGN ACCORD ON SCIENCE COOPERATION. NEW DELHI, DEC. 9

INDIA AND THE UNITED STATES SIGNED AN AGREEMENT TODAY PROVIDING FOR COOPERATION IN VARIOUS SCIENTIFIC FIELDS INCLUDING SOLAR ENERGY, WIND AND OCEAN ENERGY SYSTEMS-AND MALARIA VACCINE DEVELOPMENT.

THE AGREEMENT WAS REACHED AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE SIXTH MEETING OF THE INDIA-U.S. SUBCOMMISSION ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WHICH STARTED MONDAY.

(4). WASHINGTON POST, NO BYLINE, "9 CANDIDATES NOW VIE FOR TOP U.N. POSITION. - U.N. DEC. 9

THE NUMBER OF CONTENDERS FOR THE POST OF U.N. SECRETARY GENERAL ROSE TO NINE TODAY.

FOUR NEW CANDIDATES ARE: RAFAEL M. SALAS OF THE

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PHILIPPINES, DIRECTOR OF THE U.N. POPULATION FUND; U.N.

AMBASSADOR RAPHA KRISNA RAMTEUL OF MAURITIUS; FORMER ECUADORAN PRESIDENT CARLOS JULIO AROSEMENA-MONEOY, AND

SANTIAGO QUIJANO-CABALLERO OF COLOMBIA.

OF THE FIVE WHO HAD DECLARED EARLIER, DIPLOMATIC SOURCES

SAID JAVIER PEREZ DE CUELLAR, FORMER CHIEF DELEGATE OF

PERU; AND PRINCE SAHRUDIN AGA KHAN, FORMER U.N. HIGH

COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES, SEEMED THE LEAST LIKELY TO

BE VETOED.

THE OTHER THREE CANDIDATES ARE: CARLOS ORTIZ DE ROZAS,

ARGENTINE AMBASSADOR TO BRITAIN; SHRIDATH RAMPHAL OF

GUYANA, SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE COMMONWEALTH, AND JORGE

ILLUECA, FOREIGN MINISTER OF PANAMA.

(5) WASHINGTON POST, ANDRIANA IERODIACONOU, "GREEK CON-

SERVATIVE PARTY CECESES RIGHTIST LEADER" - ATHENS, DEC. 9

FORMER DEFENSE MINISTER EVANGELOS AVEROFF-TOSSIZZA WAS

ELECTED TODAY TO LEAD THE CONSERVATIVE NEW DEMOCRACY PARTY,

WHICH WAS OUSTED BY THE SOCIALIST IN THE OCTOBER GREEK

ELECTIONS.

AVEROFF-TOSSIZZA, 71, REGARDED AS THE REPRESENTATIVE OF

HIS PARTY'S HAWKISH RIGHT WING, IS REPLACING FORMER

PRIME MINISTER GEORGE KALLIS.

AVEROFF-TOSSIZZA'S ELECTION REPRESENTS A SWING TO THE RIGHT

FOR GREECE'S LARGEST OPPOSITION PARTY. THE FORMER

DEFENSE MINISTER WAS THE ONLY POLITICIAN OF STANDING TO

ESPOUSE THE IDEA THAT A "BRIDGE" COULD BE ESTABLISHED

BETWEEN THE RULING COLONELS AND CIVILIAN POLITICIANS DURING

THE 1967-1974 MILITARY DICTATORSHIP HERE. HIS APPOINTMENT

BY KAFAMANLIS AS DEFENSE MINISTER AFTER THE RETURN TO

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DEMOCRACY WAS VIEWED AS AN EFFORT TO AVERT ANY PRO-JUNTA BACKLASH DURING THE CRITICAL INITIAL PERIOD OF CIVILIAN RULE.

AVEROFF-TOSSIZZA BEGAN HIS POLITICAL CAREER AS A MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT IN 1946 AND JOINED THE KARAMANLIS-LED NATIONAL RALICAL UNION PARTY IN 1956. HE IS THE AUTHOR OF SEVERAL NOVELS, AS WELL AS BOOKS ON GREEK POLITICS AND HISTORY, INCLUDING AN ACCOUNT OF THE CIVIL WAR PERIOD AFTER WORLD WAR II AND MOST RECENTLY A TWO-VOLUME WORK ON THE CYPRUS PROBLEM.

(6) "MITTERRAND SAYS HE WILL NOT SLOW THE PACE OF SOCIALIST REFORMS", BY EDWARD COIY.

PARIS, DEC. 9 - PRESIDENT FRANCOIS MITTERRAND OF FRANCE DECLARED TONIGHT THAT HIS SOCIALIST REFORMS MUST BE CARRIED OUT "AT A GOOD PACE" DESPITE COMPLAINTS FROM FRENCH BUSINESSMEN AND SOME HESITANCY WITHIN HIS OWN GOVERNMENT.

MITTERRAND, SPEAKING IN A LIVE TELEVISION CONVERSATION WITH TWO JOURNALISTS, SAID PRIME MINISTER PIERRE MAUROY MUST NOT SLOW DOWN APPLICATION OF THE SOCIALIST PLATFORM OF NATIONALIZATIONS, TAX REFORMS AND OTHER SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES. MITTERRAND SAID SLOWING THE PACE OF CHANGE WOULD VIOLATE THE MANDATE HE SAID WAS CONFERRED ON HIM BY THE FRENCH PEOPLE IN LAST SPRING'S ELECTIONS.

HIS REMARKS CONTRASTED THE ECONOMY REPRESENTED AN INDIRECT ENDORSEMENT OF MAUROY'S POSITION IN A PUBLIC DEBATE THAT FLARED UP LAST WEEK BETWEEN THE PRIME MINISTER AND FINANCE MINISTER JACQUES DELORS, WHO URGED A "PAUSE" IN

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ANNOUNCING REFORMS TO GIVE THE FRANCE ECONOMY TIME TO DIGEST THOSE ALREADY UNDER WAY.

MAUROY HAD QUICKLY RESPONDED TO DELORS, SAYING HE PLANNED TO FORCE AHEAD FULL SPEED. THEIR PUBLIC EXCHANGES BROUGHT TO THE SURFACE A DEBATE LONG SIMMERING WITHIN MITTERRAND'S SIX-MONTH-OLD GOVERNMENT OVER THE ECONOMY'S ABILITY TO ABSORB SWIFT CHANGE WITHOUT SERIOUS DISRUPTION. MITTERRAND, RESPONDING TO A QUESTION ON THE CONTROVERSY, FIRST SAID HIS ROLE WAS NOT TO ARBITRATE AND UNDERLINED HIS ESTEEM AND PERSONAL FRIENDSHIP FOR DELORS, AN ECONOMIST AND HIGH ADVISER TO PREVIOUS GOVERNMENTS. THEN, IN TERMS SIMILAR TO THOSE USED BY MAUROY IN REFUTING DELORS EARLIER, HE ADDED:

"THOSE WHO CHOSE US, THEY WANT CHANGE. AND FOR CHANGE, THERE MUST BE REFORMS. AND THESE REFORMS MUST GO FORWARD AT A GOOD PACE, REASONABLY, BUT AT A GOOD PACE, AND WITHOUT STOPPING."

HE DECLARED THAT THE VERY BUSINESS CONCERNS THAT PROMPTED DELORS' CALL FOR A PAUSE SHOULD INSTEAD BE MET WITH SWIFT EXECUTION OF THE ENTIRE SOCIALIST PROGRAM SO "THE

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RULES OF THE GAME" WILL BE SETTLED AND CLEAR. CONFUSION
OVERSOCIALIST MEASURES TO STIMULATE THE ECONOMY HAS BEEN
A MAJOR BUSINESS COMPLAINT AND TONIGHT'S TELEVISION
APPEARANCE - THE FIRST OF ITS KIND FOR MITTERRAND AS
PRESIDENT - WAS DESIGNED IN PART TO CALM SUCH WORRIES.
IN A CLEAR WARNING THAT COMPLAINING WOULD NOT DISSUADE
HIM, HE ADDED: "I AM NOT TRYING TO REASSURE BUSINESS
LEADERS. I AM EXPLAINING MY POLICIES TO THEM."

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